1 Be joyful in God, all the earth; ♦

sing the glory of his name;
sing the glory of his praise.

2 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! ♦

Because of your great strength

your enemies shall bow before you.

3 'All the earth shall worship you, ♦

sing to you, sing praise to your name.'

4 Come now and behold the works of God, ♦

how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.

5 He turned the sea into dry land;

the river they passed through on foot; ♦

there we rejoiced in him.

6 In his might he rules for ever;

his eyes keep watch over the nations; ♦

let no rebel rise up against him.

7 Bless our God, O you peoples; ♦

make the voice of his praise to be heard,

8 Who holds our souls in life ♦

and suffers not our feet to slip.

9 For you, O God, have proved us; ♦

you have tried us as silver is tried.

10 You brought us into the snare; ♦
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

11 You let enemies ride over our heads;

we went through fire and water;  

but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

12 I will come into your house with burnt offerings

and will pay you my vows,  

which my lips uttered

and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

13 I will offer you fat burnt sacrifices

with the smoke of rams;  

I will sacrifice oxen and goats.

14 Come and listen, all you who fear God,  

and I will tell you what he has done for my soul.

15 I called out to him with my mouth  

and his praise was on my tongue.

16 If I had nursed evil in my heart,  

the Lord would not have heard me,

17 But in truth God has heard me;  

he has heeded the voice of my prayer.

18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,  

nor withheld his loving mercy from me.
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